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RULE 63 (37 C.F.R. 1.63)
INVENTORS DECLARATION FOR PATENT APPLICATION
IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that my residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below next to my name, and I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or an original, first and joint inventor (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled:

METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR VENDOR COMMUNICATION

the specification of which (check applicable box(s)):

☒ is attached hereto
was filed on **November 20, 2001** as U.S. Application Serial No. **09/989,712**

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I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above. I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to the patentability of this application in accordance with 37 C.F.R. 1.56. I hereby claim foreign priority benefits under 35 U.S.C. 119/365 of any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate listed below and have also identified below any foreign application for patent or inventor's certificate having a filing date before that of the application on which priority is claimed or, if no priority is claimed, before the filing date of this application:

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I hereby claim the benefit under 35 U.S.C. 120/365 of all prior United States and PCT international applications listed above or below and, insofar as the subject matter of each of the claims of this application is not disclosed in such prior applications in the manner provided by the first paragraph of 35 U.S.C. 112, I acknowledge the duty to disclose material information as defined in 37 C.F.R. 1.56 which occurred between the filing date of the prior applications and the national or PCT international filing date of this application:

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I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon. And on behalf of the owner(s) hereof, I hereby ask that all communications in this matter be directed to: **MAURICE J. PIRIO, ESQ. AT PERKINS, COIE LLP, P.O. Box 1247, Seattle WA 98111-1247, telephone number (206) 583-8888.**

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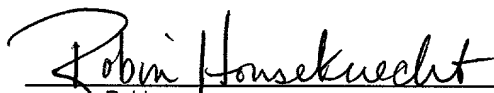
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1. *Chlorophyll a* (Chl *a*) is the primary photosynthetic pigment in most plants and algae. It is responsible for capturing light energy and converting it into chemical energy through the process of photosynthesis. Chl *a* is a green pigment and is found in the chloroplasts of plant cells.

2. *Chlorophyll b* (Chl *b*) is an accessory pigment that works in conjunction with Chl *a* to capture light energy. It is a yellow-green pigment and is found in the chloroplasts of plant cells. Chl *b* helps to broaden the range of light wavelengths that can be absorbed by the photosynthetic system.

3. *Carotenoids* are a group of pigments that are responsible for the yellow, orange, and red colors seen in autumn foliage. They act as accessory pigments, helping to capture light energy and transfer it to Chl *a* for use in photosynthesis. Carotenoids are found in the chloroplasts of plant cells.

4. *Xanthophylls* are a type of carotenoid that are responsible for the yellow color seen in autumn foliage. They act as accessory pigments, helping to capture light energy and transfer it to Chl *a* for use in photosynthesis. Xanthophylls are found in the chloroplasts of plant cells.

5. *Anthocyanins* are a group of pigments that are responsible for the red, purple, and blue colors seen in autumn foliage. They are not involved in photosynthesis but are produced by plant cells in response to environmental factors such as low temperatures and high light intensity. Anthocyanins are found in the vacuoles of plant cells.